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SUBJ: ASIAN PARLIAMENTARY UNION COUNCIL MEETING

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1. PARLIAMENTARIANS FROM ROC, JAPAN, THAILAND, SOUTH VIET-NAM, KHMER, AND ROK HELD 16TH APU COUNCIL MEETING IN SEOUL JULY 15-16. COUNCIL ADOPTED TEN RESOLUTIONS AND AGREED TO HOLD TENTH APU GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN BANGKOK IN NOVEMBER.

2. COUNCIL ADOPTED FOLLOWING RESOLUTION ON GKR'S JULY 9 OFFER OF UNCONDITIONAL NEGOTIATIONS (FROM ENGLISH TEXT PREPARED BY ROK NATIONAL ASSEMBLY):

QUOTE: THE SIXTEENTH COUNCIL, CONSIDERING THAT THE KHMER REPUBLIC TERRITORY HAS BEEN SUFFERING FROM FOREIGN AGGRESSION MORE THAN FOUR YEARS WHICH PLUNGE THE PEOPLE INTO SUFFERING AND DESOLATION, CONSIDERING THAT THE CONFLICT BETWEEN KHMERS COULD BE ENDED ONLY BY A
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DIPLOMATIC AND POLITICAL WAY; AND NOTING THAT THE KHMER

REPUBLIC HAS MADE KNOWN ON JULY 9TH 1974 A NEW APPEAL TO THE KHMER OF THE OTHER SIDE FOR A RELIABLE NEGOTIATION SUSCEPTIBLE TO ORDER THE CEASE-FIRE AND TO FIND OUT AN ADEQUATE SOLUTION TO END THE CONFLICT, RESOLVES HEREBY TO URGE TO ALL MEMBERS OF APU TO GIVE FIRM SUPPORT TO THE KHMER GOVERNMENT IN SETTING UP A DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE KHMERS WITH A VIEW TO FINDING OUT THE SOLUTION OF THE CONFLICT. UNQUOTE.

3. IN TWO OTHER KHMER-SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS, THE COUNCIL QUOTE RESOLVED TO PROPOSE TO THE UN TO DELAY INDEFINITELY THE PROBLEM OF KHMER'S VERIFICATION OF POWER AND TO LET THE KHMERS RESOLVE BY THEMSELVES THEIR OWN PROBLEMS WITHOUT FOREIGN INTERFERENCE UNQUOTE, AND QUOTE URGED MEMBER COUNTRIES OF APU TO GIVE ALL KINDS OF HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO THE KHMER REPUBLIC IN ITS RELIEF ACTIVITIES FOR WAR REFUGEES. UNQUOTE.

4. JAPANESE SPONSORED TWO RESOLUTIONS CALLING FOR REVITALIZATION OF APU SPIRIT AND COOPERATION AMONG MEMBERS TO SOLVE PROBLEM OF NATURAL RESOURCES.

5. ROK DELEGATION SPONSORED THREE RESOLUTIONS. FIRST EXTENDED ACTIVE SUPPORT TO ROK PROPOSAL FOR NON-AGGRESSION AGREEMENT BETWEEN SOUTH AND NORTH KOREA AND URGED MEMBERS TO MOBILIZE EVERY AVAILABLE SUPPORT TO ROK EFFORTS FOR EARLY ACHIEVEMENT OF DETENTE ON KOREAN PENINSULA. SECOND URGED MEMBERS TO ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE IN EXPLORATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF NEW ENERGY SUPPLIES AND INDUSTRIAL RAW MATERIALS WITHIN REGION AND ENSURE FLOW OF PRIMARY PRODUCTS BETWEEN MEMBER COUNTRIES, URGED RICH NATIONS TO CONTRIBUTE TO DEVELOPMENT OF NEW SOURCES OF ENERGY AND RAW MATERIALS, AND URGED MEMBERS' GOVERNMENTS TO DO FEASIBILITY STUDIES ON JOINT EXPLORATION FOR RAW MATERIALS. THIRD RESOLUTION RECOMMENDED MEMBERS INFLUENCE ADVANCED NATIONS AND INTERNATIONAL FINANCING BODIES TO EXPAND FINANCIAL MEANS OF DEVELOPING NATIONS IN REGION, URGED DEVELOPING NATIONS IN ASIA TO NEGOTIATE ACTIVELY FOR INTRA-REGIONAL TRADE EXPANSION, AND CALLED ON MEMBER GOVERNMENTS TO APPEAL TO ADVANCED NATIONS UNCLASSIFIED

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TO EXTEND OR IMPROVE PREFERENTIAL DUTIES SYSTEM TO DEVELOPING NATIONS.

6. OTHER TWO RESOLUTIONS PASSED WERE ONE BY ROC DELEGATION CALLING FOR EFFICIENT USE OF AGRICULTURAL LAND USED IN FOOD PRODUCTION AND ONE JOINTLY SPONSORED BY CHINESE AND VIETNAMESE CONDEMNING ATROCITIES COMMITTED BY VIET CONG AND NORTH VIETNAMESE, CALLING ON ICCS

AND MEMBER COUNTRIES TO INDUCE COMMUNIST SIDE TO CEASE ITS
HOSTILE ACTIVITIES IN REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM AND KHMER REPUBLIC,
AND REAFFIRMING CONTINUED SUPPORT OF SOUTH VIETNAMESE
AND KHMER PEOPLE IN THEIR STUGGLE TO DEFEND THEIR
TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY.

7. BY ALL ACCOUNTS, MEETING WAS UNEVENTFUL AND PRESS
ACCORDED IT ONLY MODEST COVERAGE.
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